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For: A ROUTER PROVIDING CONTINUITY OF SERVICE OF THE STATE MACHINES
ASSOCIATED WITH THE NEIGHBORING ROUTERS

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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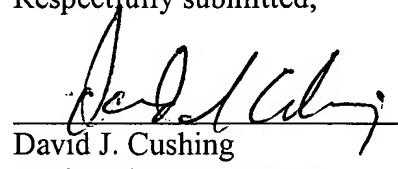
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